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My dear Sam.

I am this mg in receipt of yrs of 15th inst. and can hardly realize, in view of the amt of scribbling to you which I have done lately, that on the 15th you had received from me nothing later than Apl 30th - but I guess mine began to pour in pretty soon after you wrote on 15th. I am sorry that you have had such a wet time in the mine - for aside from the delay of the work, which must be trying to you, so much water is both disagreeable & dangerous - for I wonder that serious colds are not frequent. The inability to get satisfactory assay results must be very annoying to you, but I suppose that a basis upon which to make a guess is about all that we need expect in a mine like that. I am very glad however that you are persisting in your efforts at the "combination" which you speak - Pan and Furnace - for you must get some ideas of the character of the ore and your ability to guess closely will increase. It is also a satisfaction to have that pan experiment at work, as I know it will both relieve and interest you to have them "operate". You will already have received my letter regarding the Dolley stock - this in reference to their atty's answer.

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It still looks as though I may be a month later in meeting you than I had anticipated and I see nothing to do but to go on with your work as I have already written - keeping the expenses as low as you can, so as not to interfere with judicious management. You can get a resolution of the Board increasing the amt you will need until money will begin to come in from another assessment.

Spring is very backward here. We have had a cold easterly storm, with only occasional breaks since Friday 21st and quite cold. We found many of your seeds, especially beans, rotting after planting. I have not heard from your aunt Edith since leaving Medicine Lodge when she was. I think, a little better. Other branches of the family about as usual.

I am glad the telegraph line is up again.

Cupid me posted. I will advise you long enough ahead of my leaving here to avoid missing letters.

With kind regards to Geo and Orrie

Your Very Truly Loving Father

W. J. Cheyney

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